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Mr. William E. Nelson
Acting Chairman
Information Review Committee
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D.C. 20505

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Dear Mr. Nelson:

We have been asked to serve as legal counsel to Mr. Frank Teruggi on behalf of the American Civil Liberties Union in an attempt to obtain disclosure of a document which you have determined cannot be disclosed on the basis of exemptions (b) (1) and (b) (3) of the Freedom of Information Act.

As you are doubtlessly aware, Mr. Frank Teruggi has been extremely grieved by the death of his son, Frank Randall Teruggi, Jr. in Santiago, Chile, in September 1973. He is attempting to find out everything he possibly can about the circumstances of that death. Would the Central Intelligence Agency be willing to consider release of that portion of the document which pertains to Frank Teruggi, Jr. without release of the totality of the document?

We are empowered to proceed to a court action to get judicial review of your decision as your letter suggested. However, we would certainly prefer to satisfy Mr. Teruggi's desire to know all the circumstances surrounding his son's death without recourse to legal action against the Central Intelligence Agency.

We hope that our suggestion can provide Mr. Teruggi with satisfaction consistent with the Freedom of Information Act mandate that separable portions of documents should be released when possible and consistent with the Agency's determination that the totality of the document falls within one of the statutory exemptions of the FOIA.

Sincerely yours, 2

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cc: Frank Teruggi